(Washington, DC) Today, Congressman Alcee L. Hastings (D-Miramar) congratulated Evan Goldman of Ft. Lauderdale, FL on receiving the 2010 Angels in Adoption Award. Hastings nominated Goldman for the award, which is given through the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI) to an individual, couple or organization that has made extraordinary contributions on behalf of children in need of homes.

"I was proud to nominate Evan Goldman for the 2010 Angels in Adoption Award and am thrilled to see him recognized with this honor," said Hastings. "Evan has a heart of gold and gives selflessly to the children and youth of South Florida."

Goldman currently works as the Senior Government and Public Affairs Specialist for the Children's Services Council of Broward County, which provides leadership, advocacy, and funding for services for and on behalf of children. He is also Team Leader of the Broward Days' Children's Issues Team, which addresses critical issues affecting thousands of at-risk children in our community and throughout the state. His team examines legislation related to family support services, kinship care, improvements to Florida's dependency system, support for children with special needs, early childhood issues, immigrant children and other crucial issues affecting our most vulnerable population.

"Evan is a truly selfless man who is known throughout South Florida for zealously advocating on behalf of Florida's marginalized youth," further noted Hastings. "He is a hero and role model to everyone who knows him and he is most deserving of the Angels in Adoption Award.

"Evan's commitment to ensuring all children of Broward County realize their full potential, their hopes and their dreams is unparalleled and I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this honor."

Goldman will join other 2010 Angels in Adoption winners in traveling to Washington, D.C. on October 4-6, where they will participate in training events, celebrate their achievements, and bring much-needed attention to the fostering and adoption processes. For more information on Angels in Adoption, please visit: www.angelsinadoption.org.

Congressman Alcee L. Hastings is Vice Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, a senior member of the House Rules Committee, and Co-Chairman of the U.S. Helsinki Commission.

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